

### **Amendments to the Specification:**

Please amend the specification as follows.

[0061] As mentioned above, said heavy structure can be constituted by any load, in particular a heavy load, module, tool, or base as described in ~~unpublished~~ European patent application publication No. 0435802-6 EP 1 568 600 in the name of the Applicant, that is to be immobilized in the vicinity of the sea bed or anchored on a wall or an element lying on the sea bed.

[0092] In order to recover effluent escaping through said top emptying orifice, it is possible to use a pipe connected to a surface ship or recovery devices of the kind described in French patent No. FR 2 804 935 of the Applicant, or indeed to use shuttle tanks as described in as yet ~~unpublished~~ European patent application publication No. 03/358003-6 EP 1 449 762 in the name of the Applicant.

[0186] The buoyancy fluid of the invention is described above in order to facilitate installing loads or heavy structures in extreme depths, but it can also be used advantageously to act as a permanent float on underwater structures such as oil or gas production towers or towers for injecting water that are installed on oil fields under great depths of water, in the range 1000 m to 3000 m, or even greater, as described in particular in WO 00/49267 and ~~WO 03/65788~~ WO 03/95788 in the name of the Applicant.